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SECOND QUARTER BEAVERTON4BUSINESS WINNERS HONORED

BEAVERTON, Ore. – The second quarter Beaverton4Business (B4B) winners were honored at the Sept. 15 Beaverton City Council meeting. This quarter's awards focused on innovation. Beaverton businesses ADAPT Training/ADAPT Advanced, Polaris Battery Labs, and UpRight Footwear, Inc. were selected. Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Lorraine Clarno and Mayor Denny Doyle presented the awards.

"The local businesses honored this month are innovative pioneers in their respective fields," said Mayor Denny Doyle. "They are a great representation of the possibilities and of all the kinds of businesses that can start out and grow here in Beaverton. We're proud that they call Beaverton home."

ADAPT Training/ADAPT Advanced offers physical therapy and innovative approaches to injuries and conditions that traditional therapies have discontinued serving. ADAPT works one-on-one with their clients to create customized programming to help achieve their goals. Whether their client wants to walk again, become more independent, move more fluidly through their environment, or become a Paralympic athlete—ADAPT helps them achieve their goals and not let their diagnosis determine when to stop trying. For more information, please visit www.adapttraining.com or call 503-646-8482.

Polaris Battery Labs is an advanced battery prototyping business that provides the chemists and the environment for collaboration with companies developing new, better, longer-life batteries. Their lab facility has connections to manufacturers around the world targeted at shortening the idea to completion cycle. Polaris was founded in 2012 and moved to Beaverton in 2013. For more information, visit www.polarisbatterylabs.com or call 971-246-5066.

UpRight Footwear, Inc. has identified the need to create an innovative product to address anatomic leg length inequality. UpRight Footwear has created a product that seamlessly blends the heel lift to create a summer, hot weather or waterproof and stylish shoe. With a background in chiropractic work, Dr. Huma Pierce will be testing 10 shoes to prove their effectiveness. Investors from the footwear, orthopedic, podiatry, and/or chiropractic field are

encouraged to join her and create the next innovative footwear product. For more information, please visit www.uprightfootwear.com or email info@uprightfootwear.com.

ABOUT BEAVERTON4BUSINESS

The quarterly Beaverton4Business awards are sponsored by the City of Beaverton and the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce. There are four award cycles with different themes: sustainability, innovation, entrepreneurial, and economic development nonprofit. All businesses operating in Beaverton are eligible for the Beaverton4Business awards. To nominate a business, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/B4B.

ABOUT BEAVERTON

Beaverton is a welcoming and responsible city that enjoys one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. In 2015, Beaverton was recognized as the safest city in the Pacific Northwest (according to CQ Press for cities more than 75,000). Recently, the city's awardwinning finance department received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award as well as the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. In 2012. the city was awarded the Mayors' Climate Protection Award from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was named one of the 100 Best Places to Live in America by Money magazine and recognized as one of the **best places to raise kids** by *BusinessWeek* magazine. The city was named one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement by Forbes.com and one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America by Prevention magazine. The city also received the Recycler of the Year award from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, named a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation, received a Bronze Award Bicycle Friendly Community designation by the League of American Bicyclists, and recognized as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power Communities. Lastly, the city's nationally acclaimed visioning program was named Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning Project by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter and also received the prestigious **3CMA Award of Excellence**.

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Caption 1: Mayor Denny Doyle presented Kirsten Cassidy (left) and Kandice Vinson of ADAPT Training with a Beaverton4Business innovation award at the Sept. 15 city council meeting. (*Photo courtesy of City of Beaverton*)

Caption 2: (left to right) Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Lorraine Clarno, Doug Morris of Polaris Battery Labs, and Mayor Denny Doyle. Polaris was presented with a Beaverton4Business innovation award at the Sept. 15 city council meeting. (*Photo courtesy of City of Beaverton*)

Caption 3: Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Lorraine Clarno and Mayor Denny Doyle presented Dr. Huma Pierce (center) of UpRight Footwear with a Beaverton4Business innovation award at the Sept. 15 city council meeting. (*Photo courtesy of City of Beaverton*)